

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO  
EASTERN DIVISION**

**IN RE: NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION OPIATE  
LITIGATION**

**THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:**

*All cases*

**MDL NO. 1:17-MD-2804**

**Honorable Dan Aaron Polster**

**MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL**

Pursuant to N. D. Ohio Civ. R. 83.9, the law firm of Barnes & Thornburg LLP and its attorneys, Kathleen L. Matsoukas, William E. Padgett, and Dean T. Barnhard (deceased), seek leave to withdraw from the representation of Defendants H. D. Smith Holding Company, H. D. Smith Holdings, LLC, H. D. Smith Wholesale Drug Co., and H. D. Smith LLC (the “H. D. Smith Defendants”). The H. D. Smith Defendants now have other counsel, Brian Himmel and Louis Schack from Reed Smith LLP, actively representing them in this matter. Mr. Himmel and Mr. Schack have already filed their appearances, and Defendants aware of and consent to the requested withdrawal.

Additionally, in preparing this Motion, undersigned counsel became aware that William E. Padgett is listed erroneously on the docket as counsel for Anda, Inc. Mr. Padgett has never been counsel for Anda, but to the extent necessary, moves to withdraw that appearance as erroneous.

Dated: March 28, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

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Holdings, LLC, and H. D. Smith LLC*

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing document was served on March 28, 2023 via the Court's ECF System upon all parties by electronic means.

/s/ William E. Padgett